



# Mountaininside **MESSENGER**

**On Tuesday, January 13th at 2:00 PM, we will meet at The Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art, also known as The Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church, 7530 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. (on the southwest corner of Vance St. and 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. One block east of Wadsworth). We hope you can join us.**

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## From the President

I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and were able to spend time with family and friends!

Remember last year when Christian Dore was with us again for our November meeting and this time, we got to hear all about his painting process? He has personalized preparation techniques which he uses to inform and inspire his painting. Christian is enthusiastic about teaching and encouraging others to find their creativity.

The Echter's art show was a success in November and many paintings were sold. Thank you to all our volunteers for helping!

We are concluding our holiday church hang at our January meeting, so please pick up your paintings. Several paintings were sold. Thank you to those who participated!

Your MAG board members were all willing to continue serving, so let us know if you have ideas or feedback for us.

Rebecca (Becky) Near

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## January Program

## Mark Eirhart

From the artist....

My paintings are influenced by the natural world's effect on my inner world. I find a place to express a memory, a dream, an inkling of things to come, a sense of gratitude for things beautiful as well as plain or ugly, to understand joy, sorrow or anger in a way my endless inner conversation would never allow.



This work is a way for me to connect to the real world via my primitive wordless self. I often feel like an explorer venturing into the unknown. My primary motivation is to have fun with the painting and hope that my viewers have fun and discover a rich experience with my work.



I've been told "that my work walks a razor fine edge between the abstract and literal" and that I'm a "messy painter with a gift". Both observations seem to imply the need to wear protective foot coverings, perhaps high-top boots with steel toes. I personally prefer house slippers.



## Lucky Artist

Our Lucky Artist for November was Ann Williams. Ann is originally from the east, Connecticut and Ohio, and moved to Colorado in 1977. Her interest in art began when she was young, drawing and coloring as a child.

She participates in many art shows. She has two Honorable Mentions from CWS shows and has entered MAG shows as well as others.

Some artists she admires are Monet, Renoir and Joseph Raffael. Her best art tip for you is to sketch first – drawing is most important. Ann is shown with her watercolor titled 'Sandhill Crane #1'

# Our Website

Currently on our website you will find helpful information on the organization and when we meet, as well as information about the next presentation and other items of interest. You can find forms for membership and for rotating exhibits, where they are and the forms to fill out for expenses and sales. Entry forms for current sponsored shows of our membership with the prospectus. We have a member gallery where members place their own work to be viewed by the public. The cost for a personal page is a one-time fee of \$15.00. Also available are pdf copies of the Mountainside Messenger



## MAG Mailing Addresses

MAG has two mailing addresses. The first is **Mountainside Art Guild, P.O. Box 694, Wheat Ridge, CO 80034**. Please send **envelopes** to this address. **Packages** may also be mailed to MAG, but they need to be addressed as **Mountainside Art Guild, 4210 Wadsworth #694, Wheat Ridge, CO 80034**. They will be held in a secure area in the post office.

## Hospitality

Meeting Date	First Person	Second Person
January 13 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Liz Watts	Becky Near
February 10th	William Char	Ann Williams
March 10th	Karen Hartney	Darlene Woolley
April 8th	Kiki Moore	
May 12th	Kay Cassa	Darcie Kurtak
June 9th	Del Kelly	Maryjane Sharpe
September 8th		
October 13th		

There are still openings for hospitality indicated by the red areas. Please consider signing up for a day. There is a form available at the meetings on which you can place your name, or you may call Cheryl Annett at 303-986-8602

# Calendar

January Meeting	Tuesday, January 13 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Pick-up Members' hang @WCMA	Tuesday, January 13 <sup>th</sup>	1:45 PM Before members' meeting
February Meeting	Tuesday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
St. Andrew's Church Show	February 20 <sup>th</sup> – April 1 <sup>st</sup>	
St. Andrew's Show drop off/hang	Friday, February 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM – 9:00 AM
St. Andrew's Reception	Sunday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00 AM - Noon
St. Andrew's pick up of unsold paintings	Wednesday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>	4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
March Meeting	Tuesday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

# Member News

- There were many art sales by members during the holidays. Congratulations to Cheryl Annett, Bruce Beck, Sue Robinson, Judy Huckby, Charlie Casper, Maryjane Sharpe, Sandy Stavnes, Warner Reeser, Sherry Benner, Ann Williams, Traci Zajaczkowski, Karen Misko, Gail Firmin, Darcie Kurtak, and Darlene Woolley.
- Please remember to fill out and don a name tag so everyone can learn everyone else's name. You will find the name tags on the counter to the right of the room as you come in.
- Just a reminder - If you have a sale of a piece of art at the WRCMA, it is suggested that when arranging to meet with the buyer that you suggest meeting during church service hours to make certain the building is open.
- If you have had an art sale through MAG, please remember to fill out a MAG Art Sale Report form and submit it to the treasurer either by USPS or at a member's meeting. The form may be found on the MAG website under Active Member Info, and it contains complete instructions for completing the form. I have also attached it to the end of this newsletter.
- The St. Andrew's Church show prospectus is ready and attached to this email.
- If you haven't renewed your MAG membership already, please bring your renewal form and fee to the next meeting or mail to the address on the form. Thank you.

# **MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD—MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

2026 Annual Membership \$35.00.

ALL PUBLICATIONS ARE BY Email.

Renewing Member or New Member Website Gallery \$15.00

1/2-year Membership (after 5/1) \$17.50 (For New Members Only)

All members who were active in 2025 or earlier must pay Full Membership Yearly. Exceptions are for Emeritus Members who don't pay due to long continued service to the Guild.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Any Change from Past Information      YES      NO

Total Amount you are Paying: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks are payable to **Mountainside Art Guild**

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND YOUR PAYMENT TO THE TREASURER –**

Susan Hommel  
807 Nevermore Lane  
Evergreen, CO 80439

**MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD****INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING SALES (SALES FORM BELOW)**

ACCOUNTS WILL BE PAID ON THE 1ST AND 15TH OF EACH MONTH; SALES REPORTS MAY BE TURNED IN BY MAIL OR AT THE MEETINGS; CHECKS WILL BE MAILED TO THE ARTIST.

1. Use this form when reporting sales to MAG. Money sent without this form will be returned to the artist for inclusion of the proper paperwork.

2. Send FULL amount of sale (sale price + sales tax). You will be issued a check for the amount of the sale, minus sales tax and appropriate commission or fee.

3. If sales tax isn't collected from the buyer, you must pay it yourself by including it with your submittal to MAG.

4. Checks from buyer should be made out to: "**Mountainside Art Guild**". If the check has been made out to the artist, please **do not** send it to MAG. The bank is not willing to accept a 2- party check, so please send a new personal check or money order payable to "**Mountainside Art Guild**" for the full amount, including sales tax, to the Treasurer.

5. If you receive cash for a sale, send a personal check for the TOTAL amount, including sales tax, to the Treasurer.

6. Commission for most sales will be deducted from your payment by the Treasurer. EXCEPTIONS: If the show place requires its own commission, please pay them the commission and state that you have done so on your sales report form.

Sales for locations that are not Guild-sponsored shows can also go through MAG books, if you wish, **as long as it is in a location where we have a sales tax license**. There is a \$2.00 Fee for this service. Currently MAG is licensed in Lakewood (7.5%) and Wheat Ridge (8%).

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**MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD****SALES REPORT FORM (Send with check)**

Send to: Susan Hommel

807 Nevermore Lane

Evergreen, CO 80439

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ARTIST'S NAME & ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE & EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SHOWPLACE & LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PAINTING TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ PRICE: \_\_\_\_\_

SALES TAX (\_\_\_\_ %): \_\_\_\_\_ - Total: \_\_\_\_\_

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\$ For Treasurer's Use Only Date      Check No.:  
paid:

Sales Tax:

Wheat Ridge – 8%

- Colliers Hospice

- Wheat Ridge Center for the Arts (WRCMA)

Lakewood – 7.5%

- Lakewood Post-Acute Rehabilitation (LPAR – formerly ProMedica)

- Lakewood Arts Center (LAC)

